

## STATEWIDE EXPENDITURES

The Statewide Expenditures Section of the Budget Summary includes issues that affect multiple departments in various major program areas. This chapter describes items in the Governor's Budget which fall into these categories.

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### DEBT SERVICE

General Fund debt service expenditures will increase by \$59.3 million, or 1.0 percent, for a total of \$5.612 billion, consisting of an increase of \$36.7 million for General Obligation debt service (\$4.927 billion total) and an increase of \$22.6 million for lease revenue bonds (\$685 million total). The modest increase in General Obligation debt service reflects the proposed use of fees from weight fees imposed on trucks and certain other revenues to pay a portion of transportation debt service costs (see Transportation section) as well as a one-time pause in the issuance of new bonds in the current year. This pause will give time for the Administration to prioritize funds for the most effective activities.

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### EFFICIENCIES IN STATE OPERATIONS

While there have been a number of reductions in state operations costs in recent years, there continue to be opportunities for additional savings. The Governor's Budget includes \$200 million in savings associated with identification of efficiencies in state operations. For example, identification of agencies, departments, and programs that can be reorganized to eliminate duplication and unnecessary functions; review of state peace officer and safety classifications; and reductions in other areas like contracting; fleet operations; and, cell phone use.

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